

October 20, 2017

Marlene H. Dortch, Esq. Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

**RE:** Section 63.71 Application of Union Telephone Company

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed is a Section 63.71 discontinuance application of Union Telephone Company (FRN: 0004333639).

The application seeks Commission approval for the discontinuance of Union Telephone Company's carrier switched access tandem exchange services to the Alton and New Durham, New Hampshire market areas. The discontinuance will occur on November 20, 2017. A separate notice of this discontinuance is being filed with the International Bureau pursuant to Section 63.19 of the Commission's rules.

Please direct questions concerning this Transmittal to me at the contact information below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

## Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of	)
Section 63.71 Application of	)
Union Telephone Company	)
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of	)
the Communications Act of 1934,	)
To Discontinue the switched access	)
tandem exchange services to the Alton	)
and New Durham, New Hampshire market	)
areas	)

## SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF Union Telephone Company

Union Telephone Company ("Applicant") seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214(a) and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its switched access tandem exchange services to the Alton and New Durham, New Hampshire market areas. Notice of the proposed discontinuance is being filed simultaneously with the International Bureau pursuant to Section 63.19 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.19.

The Applicant provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules:

- 1. <u>Name and Address of the Carrier:</u> Union Telephone Company, 525 Junction Road, Madison, Wisconsin 53717.
- 2. <u>Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:</u> Applicant plans to discontinue the affected services on November 20, 2017.
- 3. <u>Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:</u> Applicant proposes to discontinue the affected services in Alton and New Durham, New Hampshire.
- 4. <u>Description of Service Affected:</u> Switched access tandem exchange services provide the ability to originate calls from an end user's premises to a customer's premises, and to terminate calls from a customer's premises to an end user's premises

- Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers: Applicant 5. does not have any customers utilizing this service.
- Regulatory Classification of Carrier: Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the services to be discontinued.
- Other Information: In accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules, a copy of this application is being mailed concurrently with its filing to the Governor of New Hampshire, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense. Please direct questions regarding this application to the undersigned.

Conclusion: The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of the Applicant's switched access tandem exchange services to the Alton and New Durham, New Hampshire market areas. Applicant does not have any customers utilizing this service. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Section 63.71 application.

Respectfully submitted,

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October 19, 2017

Attachment

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Jennifer Heise, do hereby certify that on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of Union Telephone Company via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

Secretary of Defense Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications The Pentagon Washington, DC 20301

New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Suite 10 Concord, N.H. 03301-2429

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